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"Hello and welcome to Caerphilly"

Thank you for choosing the county borough of Caerphilly as a destination to visit. Whether it's for a day, a short break or longer, there's a lot waiting to be discovered. From uncovering our rich historical past to lapping up beautiful scenery and wildlife.

This guide is packed with lots of useful information on the area along with inspiration on places to visit and a taste of our renowned Valleys welcome. We hope you find this guide useful and that you'll come to love the borough as much as we do...in the words of Tommy Cooper **"Just like that!"** If you need any help or advice while planning your visit or once you are here, contact or call into The Visitor Centre Caerphilly, located in the heart of Caerphilly town.

The local staff have a wealth of knowledge on the area and can help with any aspect of your visit from finding a place to rest your head to selecting a special place to dine.

See you Soon!

Caerphilly

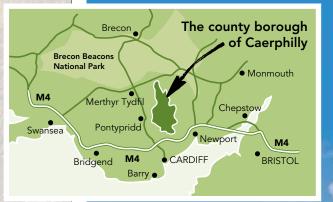
The county borough of Caerphilly is located in the heart of Southern Wales and straddles the ancient county boundaries of Monmouthshire and Glamorgan.

With such close proximity to Cardiff, Newport and the Brecon Beacons, the county borough of Caerphilly is an ideal base for visitors looking to explore the South Wales Valleys and beyond.

There are excellent transport links throughout the borough, with Cardiff just 15 minutes from Caerphilly town by train and 8 miles by car or bus. Visitors have the choice of city shopping and entertainment or the more laid back atmosphere of the county borough of Caerphilly.

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Unearthing a sleeping giant

Dominating an impressive 30 acre site, Caerphilly Castle is Wales' largest and Britain's second largest castle behind Windsor.

This medieval fortress was built mainly between 1268 and 1271 by Gilbert de Clare. Known as Gilbert 'The Red' because of his red hair, denoting his Norman heritage, he built the castle to take control of Glamorgan and to prevent the Welsh Prince Llewellyn ap Gruffudd from achieving his southward ambitions.

The design of the castle is based on a concentric ring of walls, something not seen in Britain before. It also has an extensive ring of water defences and huge gatehouses. This mammoth stronghold remains a striking testament to the Anglo-Norman domination of the area.

Caerphilly Castle B6 Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1JD Tel: 029 2088 3143 Web: www.cadw.wales.gov.uk

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Lights, camera, action!

Pisa's got nothing on us

Though the focus of many Welsh attacks, Caerphilly Castle has remained a formidable fortress and perhaps one of the greatest strongholds of all-time. Even the efforts of Oliver Cromwell's roundheads failed to break the

castle's boundaries, though they

which has leaned 3m out of the

did leave a rather remarkable scar – the famous leaning tower,

perpendicular since 1648.

Caerphilly Castle and its impressive fortress have provided the perfect backdrop to popular BBC series 'Doctor Who' and 'Merlin', whilst our towns and villages have featured in Sky 1's 'Stella', Welsh drama series 'The Baker Boys' and 'BBC's Casualty'.

Discover local heritage

Unearth the hidden history of Caerphilly County Borough at the Winding House Museum, featuring a changing programme of fascinating exhibitions on the local area's history, heritage and culture. Research your family's past, discover the Victorian winding engine, eat, drink and purchase memorabilia in the museums gift shop! Open Tuesday to Saturday.

Finding your roots

Fuelled by the influence of the popular TV series 'Who Do You Think You Are' and the rising social trend of tracing your genealogy, visitors are increasingly looking to pursue their family history. There is a wealth of information and resources available to help. For more information visit www.caerphilly.gov.uk/chronicle

Remembering the fallen

Commemorating the fallen of the 152 mining disasters across Wales, the National Mining Memorial was unveiled on the centenary of the Universal Colliery Disaster in Senghenydd on the 14th October 2013. The memorial incorporates a bronze statue, wall of remembrance & path of memory within the memorial garden, dedicating a ceramic tile to each disaster.



Heritage Sites:

Ruperra Castle & Coed Craig Ruperra

Location: Lower Machen Web: www.ruperratrust.co.uk www.ruperra.org.uk

Butetown Heritage Trail

Location: Butetown, Rhymney Postcode: NP22 5QH/5QJ Web: www.butetownhistorv.info



Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF15 7UT Tel: 029 2088 2245 Web: www.visitcaerphilly.com

Groeswen Chapel



Location: Commercial Street. Senghenydd Postcode: CF83 4GY Tel: 029 2083 0445 Web: www.abervalleyheritage.co.uk

Museums & Art:

Winding House Location: New Tredegar Postcode: NP24 6EG Tel: 01443 822666 Web: your.caerphilly.gov.uk/ windinghouse/content/welcome



Heritage Museum Location: Senghenydd, Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 4HA Tel: 029 2083 0445 Web: www.abervalleyheritage.co.uk



Y Galeri Location: Below The Visitor Centre – Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1JL Tel: 029 2132 2570 Web: www.ygaleri.co.uk

Canals:

Aber Valley



Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal (Crumlin Arm) Location: Risca Postcode: NP11 6GY Web: www.visitcaerphilly.com

Llancaiach Fawr Manor A4 Location: Nr. Nelson Postcode: CF46 6ER Tel: 01443 412248 Web: www.llancaiachfawr.co.uk

Set in 1645, the servants of Llancaiach Fawr Manor will be pleased to show you around their master's fine house, provided you are of good repute of course!

Experience our legendary past

If you are lucky, you might meet the master of the house Edward Prichard, or perhaps catch a glimpse of the mistress Mary Prichard, though she is a rather 'sickly' soul and does not like to brave the air of the valleys. With the Manor known for being haunted, you never know who you might meet when visiting this 17th century manor house! Enjoy day tours, ghost tours and events throughout











The Iron Age hill fort of Twmbarlwm was once at the heart of the territory of the Silurian Celts, the dominant Celtic tribe of this area.

Constructed between 500 and 150 BC, the site was chosen due to its excellent view of the surrounding area and the Bristol Channel where any approaching threat could easily be seen.

Twmbarlwm

D5 Location: Cwmcarn Postcode: NP11 7FA (Cwmcarn Forest Visitor Centre) Tel: 01495 272001 Web: your.caerphilly.gov.uk/ cwmcarnforest/history/twmbarlwmand-celts

A legend of love

It is said that the restless spirit of Princess Alice of Angouleme, wife of Gilbert de Clare roams Caerphilly Castle in search of her lost love. Legend has it, the princess, growing tired of her husband's cold and angry ways; fell in love with amorous Welsh Prince Gruffudd of Brithdir, only to seal their unfortunate fate. The Princess perished of a broken heart after deranged Gilbert ordered the execution of her lover when the affair was exposed. Now on a moonlit night, you may see the Princess, known as 'The Green Lady' searching for her lover, wearing green as a symbol of her husband's envy.

Gelligaer Roman Fort Location: Gelligaer

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Postcode: CF82 8BB Tel: 01443 822863 Web: www.caerphilly.gov.uk/romanfort/

Almost 2000 years after the Romans and Silures battled across these hills, Gelligaer is again telling the story of the Romans in the Valleys of South Wales. Why not come and visit this village, which has a history that stretches back to prehistory, and a heritage waiting for you to explore.



Famous faces to come out of the county borough of Caerphilly include the legendary Tommy Cooper, musicians The Manic Street **Preachers**. Falklands hero **Simon** Weston, Beauty and the Beast's 'Gaston' actor Luke Evans who was raised in Aberbargoed, presenter Matt Johnson, sporting stars Aaron Ramsey, Nathan Cleverly and Joe Calzaghe... to name but a few!



The Manic Street Preachers

Tommy Cooper

Famous comedian and magician Tommy Cooper was born in Llwyn Onn Street, Caerphilly on the 19th March 1921.

His 'larger than life' personality and unique ability to entertain, makes Tommy one of Caerphilly's most famous and much loved sons.

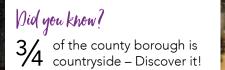
To commemorate his life, a 9 ft bronze statue was commissioned by the Tommy Cooper Society and stands proudly opposite Caerphilly Castle. For more information visit www.visitcaerphilly.com

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The county borough has experienced dramatic changes over the past two hundred years transforming it into mile upon mile of beautiful rolling countryside with meadows, rivers, farmland, woods, commons, ponds and much more.

If you're looking for the perfect picnic spot or somewhere to kick a ball, dappled woods to wander through, or riverbanks to ramble down, or safe paths to cycle along then look no further than one of the five country parks in Caerphilly county borough. Enjoy a stroll around the serene lake at Cwmcarn Forest or climb Twmbarlwm if you're feeling more energetic!





Get walking!

With an estimated 5000 hectares of open access land available for walkers, exploring the countryside couldn't be easier. To help you discover the rich natural heritage in the county borough there are several established walk guides available to download at http://your.caerphilly.gov.uk/ countryside/activities/walking/trails. Whether it's healthy short walks, intermediate 5-8 mile walks or more strenuous 20+ mile walks, we have a great selection available.



Detailed information on walking routes and country parks can be found at your.caerphilly.gov. uk/countryside



Parc Penallta is home to one of the UK's largest earth figurative sculptures 'Sultan the Pit Pony'.





Parks:

Cwmcarn Forest

Web:your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside Parc Penalita **B4** Location: Ystrad Mynach Postcode: CF82 7GN

Tel: 01443 816853 Web: your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside

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Pen Y Fan Pond D3 Location: Nr. Oakdale Postcode: NP11 4EG Tel: 01495 270991 Web: your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside

Parc Coetir Bargod Location: Bargoed Postcode: CF81 9FX Tel: 01443 875557 Web: your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside

Sirhowy Valley Country Park D5 Location: Nr. Crosskeys Postcode: NP11 7JD

Tel: 01495 270991 Web: your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside

Parc Bryn Bach Location: Tredegar Postcode: NP22 3AY Tel: 01495 355920 Web: www.parcbrynbach.co.uk

Walking Tours & **Environmental Centres:**

Aberbargoed Grasslands National Nature Reserve **C3 Education Centre** Location: Aberbargoed Postcode: NP12 0BE Tel: 01443 834317 Web:your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside

Caerphilly Nordic Walks C4 Location: Blackwood Postcode: NP12 1HZ Tel: 07906 365 280 Web: www.nordic-walking.wales

Cefn Mably Farm Park C7 Location: St Mellons Postcode: CF3 6XL Tel: 01633 680312 Web: www.cefnmablyfarmpark.com

Farms:

Calling all adventure seekers

Cwmcarn Forest offers mountain bikers the very best in adrenaline filled rides. With superb trails of the very highest quality that are not for the faint hearted.

> Van Road Trails is a Dirt Jump and trails venue located on Van Road just outside Caerphilly. The trails are perfect if you want to start learning dirt jumping or are an experienced rider looking to hit some well groomed all weather jumps.

Parking is in the Forestry Commission's Coed Parc-Y-Van car park, with a short walk / ride to the track.

Cycling:

Cwmcarn Forest Mountain Bike Trails Location: Nr. Crosskeys Postcode: NP11 7FA Tel: 01495 272001 Web: www.cwmcarnforest.co.uk www.coanation.co.uk



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Cwmdown MTB Uplift Service

Location: Cwmcarn Postcode: NP11 7FA Tel: 07887 693108 (10-6 Wed-Sun) Web: www.cwmdown.co.uk

Ps Cycles, Cycle hire, bike demos & sales Location: Cwmcarn Forest Postcode: NP11 7FA Tel: 01495 272279 Web: www.pscycles.co.uk

Sustrans Web: www.sustrans.org.uk

Caerphilly Bike Park Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 3EE Web: www.visitcaerphilly.com A magnet for mountain bikers

Cwmcarn Forest is the perfect destination for adrenaline junkies looking for some downhill thrills and a sense of adventure. Demanding concentration, sweeping along open ground, hugging the sides of steep slopes and delivering dramatic views. The Twrch, Y Mynydd, Cafall and Pedalhounds trails are some of the most exciting trails in Wales.

Feel the pump

Cwmcarn Forest offers riders of all ages the chance to hone their skills on the new pump track, offering a smooth transition to tackling cross-country trails and adrenaline fuelled downhill trails.

Change the pace

With over 50 miles of local and national cycleways throughout the county borough, there's a route to suit every ability. From embarking on a manmade trail, discovering the natural paths forged through the countryside utilising bridleways, restricted byways and forest roads to challenging descents over Caerphilly mountain, the borough's cycling is "legendary" according to Bradley Wiggins... we certainly can't argue with that!

Route 47 of The Celtic Trail offers a 'Three Parks Trail' which is ideal for families with a stop off in Nelson village for refreshments.

Mountain Biking at Cwmcarn Forest

Nid you know? Sir Bradley Wiggins won the Caerphilly stage of the Tour of Britain in 2013

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Explore on horseback

Horse riders can use the many miles of bridleways and restricted byways in the county borough. Natural Resources Wales, who manage large areas of forest in the county borough, allow horse riders to use many routes and riders are able to use forests in Abercarn, Hollybush and Rudry areas.

Riding Routes have been developed in the Rudry area of the borough. These Ridgeway Rides provide 9 routes of between 1.5 to 6.5 miles of off road riding. For a 'Ridgeway Rides – Explore Caerphilly on Horseback' guide download at: http://your.caerphilly.gov.uk/countryside/activities/horse-riding

Gain a sense of adventure

Located on Caerphilly mountain, Mountain View Ranch is ideal for visitors looking for a bit of 'fresh air fueled fun'. Hosting the ultimate in outdoor activities you can experience the thrill of the high ropes, discover an amazing tree house, a magical fairy forest, a campfire with marshmallow toasting or follow the footprints of Wales' only officially licensed Gruffalo Trail.

Tee time in the valleys

You can't beat teeing off in the early morning at the mature treelined fairways of Bryn Meadows championship 18 hole course, with panoramic views over the golf course and across the surrounding Sirhowy Valley. No two holes are the same and with perfect peace and tranguillity, you'll only occasionally be disturbed by shouts of 'fore' from wayward tee shots (leave your driver in your boot).



Golf Courses:

Bargoed Golf Club CF81 9GF 01443 830143 www.bargoedgolfclub.co.uk

Blackwood Golf Club NP12 1BR 01495 222121 / 07817 795285 www.blackwoodgc.co.uk

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Bryn Meadows Golf, Hotel & Spa NP12 2RB 01495 225590 www.brynmeadows.co.uk/golf

www.brynmeadows.co.uk/golf Caerphilly Golf Club CF83 1HJ

029 2086 3441 www.caerphillygolfclub.com Castell Heights CF83 1NG 029 2088 6666 www.castellheightsgolf.com

Activities:

Battlefield Live C6 Location: Rudry, Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 3DT Tel: 07774638422 / 07767374079 Web: www.battlefieldlivecaerphilly.co.uk

South Wales 2000 Shooting Ground Location: Nr. Newbridge Postcode: NP12 2BG

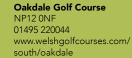
Tel: 01495 201182 **Web:** www.clayshooting2000.co.uk

Sunnybank Equestrian Centre Location: Rudry

Postcode: CF83 3DT Tel: 07767 374079 Web: www.sunnybankec.com

Ynys Hywel Activity Centre

Location: Cwmfelinfach Postcode: NP11 7JD Tel: 01495 201778 Web: www.ynyshywel.co.uk



Ridgeway Golf Club CF83 1LY 029 2088 2255 www.ridgewaygolf.org

Tredegar & Rhymney Golf Club NP22 5HA 01685 840743 www.tredegarandrhymneygc.co.uk



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Virginia Park Golf Club & Driving Centre CF83 3SW 029 2086 3919 www.virginiaparkgolfclub.co.uk

Rockwood Riding Centre B7 Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1NF

Tel: 029 2086 6281 Web: www.visitcaerphilly.com

Rock UK Summit Centre

Location: Treharris Postcode: CF46 6RD Tel: 01443 710090 Web: www.rockuk.org

Mountain View Ranch

Location: Caerphilly

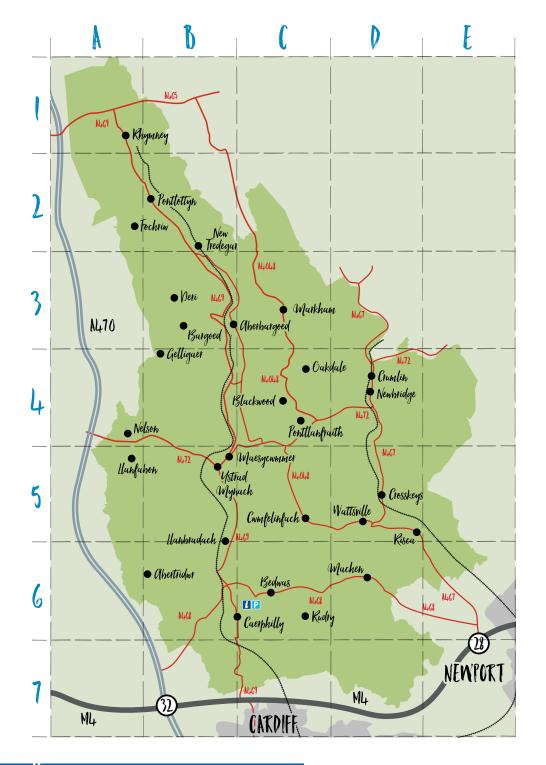


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Postcode: CF83 1NG Tel: 029 2088 6666 Web: www.mountainviewranch.co.uk









There are a range of spas throughout the county borough of Caerphilly, each with their own tranquil and relaxing atmosphere. All offer superb attention to detail and fantastic treatments.

What better way to end your day by treating yourself to a luxurious massage in a calm and relaxing setting. Situated in the quiet village of Machen, The Pamper Haven offers an indulgent range of treatments from a full body Swedish massage to a luxury luminous rice oil facial. Leave the everyday stresses behind and rediscover your well being at the luxury boutique spa 'Fusion', at Bryn Meadows Golf, Hotel & Spa. Fusion offers a collection of both traditional and more unusual treatments including a Rasul Mud Room Ceremony. Expect soothing aromas, ambient lighting and tranquillity.

Spas:

The Pamper Haven Location: Machen Postcode: CF83 8NB Tel: 07890 140335 Web: www.thepamperhaven.co.uk



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Fusion at Bryn Meadows

C5 Golf, Hotel & Spa Location: Nr.Ystrad Mynach

Postcode: NP12 2RB Tel: 01495 225590 Web: www.brynmeadows.co.uk/ spa-wales

Captiva Spa & Lounge Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 3HX Tel: 029 2088 4666 Web: www.captivaspa.com

Set yourself a challenge in 2019

The Caerphilly Challenge Series takes place every May and offers a choice of led and self led walks from 1 to 20+ miles. For more details of the 2019 challenge visit http://your.caerphilly.gov.uk/ caerphillychallengeseries/

Run in the shadows of Caerphilly Castle at the annual 10k (Sunday 19th May), register online now: www.caerphilly10k.co.uk.

For the foodies

Caerphilly Food Festival cooks up a treat on Saturday 11th May. The bustling food fayre fills the town with delicious aromas, sizzling sounds and mouth-watering produce, with over 60 stalls in addition to an extensive food demonstration programme. Celebrating our history, heritage and culture the **Big Cheese Festival** takes place from Friday 26th – Sunday 28th July. Set in the backdrop of the medieval castle, visitors are treated to a fabulous food & drink market, housing the very best in Welsh produce including traditional cheeses, delicious preserves and tempting tipples.

For further information please visit our website www.visitcaerphilly.com for an extensive list of events taking place throughout Caerphilly borough.

Caerphilly Castle

Like the famous cheese, the castle has long been the symbol of Caerphilly. A fantastic venue that dominates and hogs the limelight with music concerts, fireworks displays and even transforms into a Christmas wonderland where quests can enjoy a festive skate on a real outdoor ice rink.

Enjoy a little retail therapy

The county borough of Caerphilly has a broad range of shopping centres offering a diverse blend of independent retailers, high street names and cosy cafes for you to enjoy. Many of the local cafes use local ingredients and Welsh recipes. For more information visit: www.caerphilly.gov.uk

Entertainment:

Blackwood Miners' Institute Location: Blackwood **C4** Postcode: NP12 1BB Tel: 01495 227206 Web: www.blackwoodminersinstitute.co.uk

Maxime Cinema C4 Location: Blackwood Postcode: NP12 1AH Tel: 01495 225750 Web: www.blackwoodcinema.co.uk Newbridge Memo D4 Location: Newbridge Postcode: NP11 4FH

Tel: 01495 243252 Web: www.newbridge-memo.co.uk

Escape Rooms Location: Blackwood

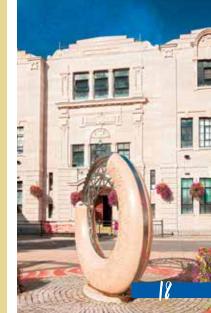
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Postcode: NP12 2XF Tel: 07568 446442 Web: www.escapeblackwood.co.uk

Bedwas Workmen's Hall C6 Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 8BJ

Tel: 02920 889 027 Web: www.bedwasworkmenshall.co.uk

For more information on the wide variety of events throughout the borough including fireworks displays and lantern parades visit: www.visitcaerphilly.com



From discovering the haunted souls during ghost tour season at Llancaiach Fawr to the arts & entertainment programme at Blackwood Miners' Institute, the county borough of Caerphilly has a rich and diverse events programme to keep you entertained during your visit.

let us entertain you

Dining out:		
13 Market Street Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1NX Tel: 029 2086 6991 Web: www.13marketstreet.co	C6	
Basil & Rusty's Ice Cream Location: Machen Postcode: CF83 8JE Tel: 07947 210387 Web: www.facebook.com/ basilandrustys	D6	
Bedlinog Inn Location: Treharris Postcode: CF46 6TG Tel: 01443 710996 Web: www.bedlinog-inn.co.u	A4 Jk	
The Beech Tree Hotel Location: Ystrad Mynach Postcode: CF82 7AB Tel: 01443 814271 Web: www.visitcaerphilly.cor	B5	ł
Brewer's Lodge Location: Blackwood Postcode: NP12 1DS Tel: 01495 230240 Web: www.brewerslodge.co.	C4	Į
Bryn Meadows Golf, Hotel & Spa Location: Ystrad Mynach Postcode: CF82 7SN Tel: 01495 225590 Web: www.brynmeadows.co	C 5	l
Caffi'r Ffynnon - Argoed Baptist Chapel Location: Blackwood Postcode: NP12 0HQ Tel: www.visitcaerphilly.com	C4	
Casa Mia Restaurant & Cocktail Bar Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1JL Tel: 029 2088 6123 Web: www.casamiacaerphilly	C6 <i>n</i> .co.uk	
Castle Inn Location: Cwmcarn Postcode: NP11 7DU Tel: 01495 272877 Web: www.castlelodge.wale:	D5	
The Harp Inn Location: Gelligaer Postcode: CF82 8FE Tel: 01443 520470 Web: www.harpinn.co.uk	B4	1
The Hollybush Location: Draethen Postcode: NP10 8GB Tel: 01633 441326	D6	
Web: www.hollybushdraether		

Llancaiach Fawr Manor A4 Location: Nelson Postcode: CF46 6ER Tel: 01443 412248 Web: www.llancaiachfawr.co.uk



The county borough of Caerphilly has a varied selection of pubs, restaurants and cafes offering everything from light bites to delicious Welsh dishes. Here's a selection of eateries to whet your appetite...

Keeping it local

Traditional Caerphilly Cheese can be purchased from The Visitor Centre in Caerphilly. This crumbly cheese is made using a traditional Caerphilly Cheese recipe from years gone by; with a creamy taste that cheese lovers say is delicious.



Casa Mia Restaurant & Cocktail Bar





Volare Italian Restaurant

Dining out continued.	
Llechwen Hall Location: Llanfabon Postcode: CF37 4HP Tel: 01443 742050 Web: www.llechwen.co.uk	A5
The Old Library Café Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1AP Tel: 029 2088 5243 Web: www.theoldlibrarycaerphilly.c	C6
Raven's Cafe Location: Cwmcarn Postcode: NP11 7FA Tel: 01495 272001 Web: www.cwmcarnforest.co.ul	D5
The Rock Inn Location: Blackwood Postcode: NP12 1DD Tel: 01495 223441 Web: www.therockblackwood.c	C4
The Visitor Centre Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1JL Tel: 029 2088 0011 Web: www.visitcaerphilly.com	C 6
Volare Italian Restaurant Location: Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1FQ Tel: 029 2132 2077 Web: www.volarewales.co.uk	C6
The White Cross Inn Location: Groeswen Postcode: CF15 7UT Tel: 07971 877073 Web: www.visitcaerphilly.com	B 5
The Wonky Bar Location: Bedwas Postcode: CF83 8EA Tel: 029 2132 0506 Web: www.wonkybar.co.uk	C6
Food & Drink Markets	:

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Caerphilly Farmers' Market Location: Twyn Community Centre, Caerphilly Postcode: CF83 1JL C6 Tel: 07805 563809 Web: www.caerphillyfarmersmarket.co.uk Email: Caerphillyfarmers@btinternet.com Date: Every second Saturday of

Crumlin Navigation D4 Rural Market Location: Navigation Colliery Postcode: NP11 3PL **Web:** www.thecrumlinnavigation.org **Date:** For 2019 dates, please see website.

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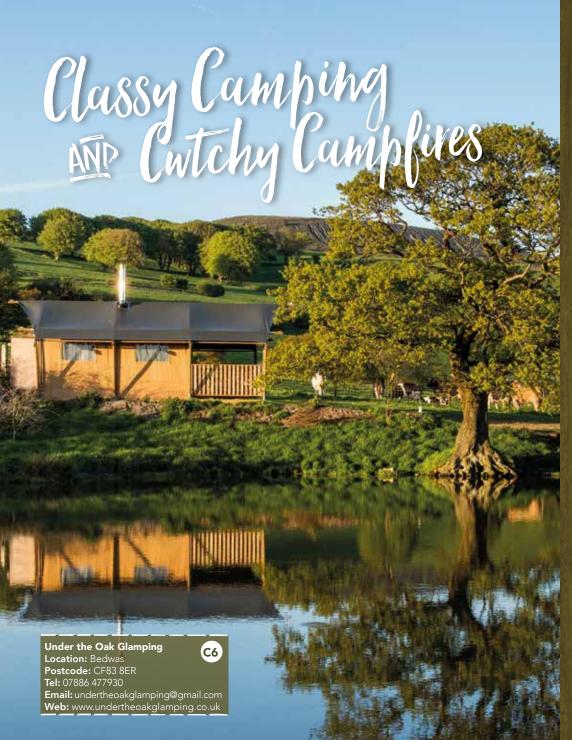
Did you know?

There is a sculpture

of Caerphilly Cheese

located at the bottom

of Caerphilly town!



After losing several cattle to TB in 2017, the Watt family made a bold move by diversifying part of their working farm to accommodate a luxurious safari tent. Lydia and Richard spotted a gap in the market for a high end glamping site that would take in the stunning landscape surrounding Pen y Waun Farm in Bedwas.

Nestled under an ancient oak tree next to a tranquil pond, the safari tent offers the best of both worlds, the comforts of home with the thrill of camping and indulging in the great outdoors. Lydia's attention to detail is evident with a full bathroom (and flushing toilet!), a natural hot tub heated by a wood burning stove and a fire pit to cook al fresco.

After an incredibly successful summer season in 2018, Lydia and Richard plan to add two further safari tents to their Glampsite in 2019, this will allow larger groups and families to visit.

There's never a dull day when running the Glampsite alongside the family farm. Some guests have had unexpected visits from naughty calves who have jumped over the fence to have a closer look!

Under the Oak Safari tent sleeps four with a Welsh box bed and a double sofa bed.



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For a full explanation of the Visit Wales grading scheme log onto www.visitwales.com then click on accommodation, grading information.

B&B'S, HOTELS & INNS

Location: Tel: Email:	ney House Hotel Rhymney, NP22 5QG 01685 844040 info@rhymneyhousehotel.co.uk www.rhymneyhousehotel.co.uk	A1
Llwyn Location: Tel:	lago Farm Guest House Fochriw, CF81 9JR 01685 844085 www.llwyn-iago.com	A2
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Prince of Wales Inn

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